PRESENT—*cont.*

Sundara Rao Nayudu, Mr. T.
Syed Tajuddin Sahib Bahadur, Khan Sahib.
Thangal, Mr. P. M.
Uzielli, C.I.E., I.C.S., Mr. H. R.
Vasudeva Pillai, Mr. V. G.
Venkatarama Ayyar, Mr. K. R.
Venugopal Nayudu, Rao Bahadur R. K.
Wright, Sir William.
Yahya Ali Sahib Bahadur, Khan Bahadur.
Yakub Hasan Sahib Bahadur.
Zamindar of Bodinayakkanur, The.
Zamindar of Chemudu, The.
Zamindar of Kirlampudi, The.
Zamindar of Mirzapuram, The.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS

Education

Students' strike in the Government College, Mangalore.

*489 *Q.*—Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the students of the Government College, Mangalore, went on strike recently; if so, what were the causes of the same;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that certain lady students of the college were suspended by the Principal recently; if so, for what offence the said students were suspended;

(*c*) whether he will be pleased to place on the table of the House a detailed statement showing the particulars of the offences, the occasions on which they were committed and also the explanations, if any, given by the lady students; and

(*d*) what action the Government have taken or propose to take in the matter?

A.—(*a*) Yes; the strike was an attempt on the part of the students to coerce the Principal into cancelling certain orders of his imposing punishments on a few students in the interests of college discipline.

(*b*) Yes; one student was suspended for two days and another for five days for breach of college regulations, one of them having been guilty also of gross impertinence.

(*c*) The Government do not consider it desirable to make a statement on what is purely a matter relating to the internal discipline of the college.

(*d*) The Government do not propose to take any action: they understand that the Principal's orders punishing the students have since been cancelled.

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—" I am glad, Sir, that the strike has ended. May I know from the Hon. Minister as to whether he would examine the causes that led to the strike and take such action as is necessary in the interests of the college? "

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The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—" We have called for a report from the Director."

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—" May I know, Sir, whether the Hon. Minister would consider the question?"

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—" When the report is received we shall see if any further action is necessary."

Action taken on the written statement of Mr. Raghunatha Rao in re *the suspension of Miss Rohini from the Government College, Mangalore.*

* 490 *Q*.—Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state with reference to the recent strike in the Government College, Mangalore, consequent on the order of suspension issued on Miss Rohini and another lady student—

(*a*) whether the Government have perused the written statement of Miss Rohini's father, Mr. S. Raghunatha Rao, B.A., L.T., retired Headmaster, Government Hindu Elementary Training School; if so, whether he will be pleased to place a copy of the same on the table of the House; and

(*b*) what action the Government have taken or propose to take in the matter?

A.—(*a*) Yes; the Government have perused a statement made by Mr. S. Raghunatha Rao, a copy of which it is considered unnecessary to lay on the table.

(*b*) The hon. Member is referred to the answer to clause (*c*) of question No. 489.

Alleged irregular collection of term fees by the Principal, Government College, Mangalore.

* 491 *Q*.—Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Principal of the Government College, Mangalore, takes a fee of Rs. 75 and odd for the first term of two months in the College Department instead of the ordinary fee of Rs. 36; if so, what the several items are for which the excess amount is taken;

(*b*) whether the Principal has obtained previous permission of the Director of Public Instruction to make the additional collections;

(*c*) whether the accounts relating to the expenditure of the additional sums are audited and accounted for; and

(*d*) what action the Government have taken or propose to take in the matter?

A.—(*a*) Besides the ordinary fee of Rs. 36 and the special fees authorized by rule 89-C of the Madras Educational